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**THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re PATENT APPLICATION of

FAIRLIE et al.

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Appln. No. 10/829,434

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Title: Energy Distribution Network

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**PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR 1.102(c)**  
**AND MPEP § 708.02, VI**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions to make the above-identified application special under the procedures set forth in sub-section VI of MPEP 708.02, as materially contributing to the discovery or development of energy resources.

No petition fee is required.

An embodiment of the invention relates to an energy distribution network including at least one hydrogen generator connected to at least one source of electric energy; at least one hydrogen storage reservoir for storing at least some of the hydrogen produced by the at least one hydrogen generator; a data collector connected to the at least one source of electric energy for collecting data from the at least one source of electric energy; and a device for converting hydrogen into electric energy.

**PETITION GRANTED**

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